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PASS: MR. JOHN THURSTON, INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION, NEW YORK

- 1. POST PLANS PARTICIPATE IN FY-75 FOREIGN GRADUATE STUDENT PROGRAM AND WISHES NOMINATE ATO(MR.) ABATE MEKURIA, STAGE MANAGER, HAILE SELASSIE I THEATER, FOR ADMISSION TO YALE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF DRAMA FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 1975/76. APPLICATION FORMS WILL BE FORWARDED DIRECTLY TO IIE SOON.
- 2. ABATE MEKURIA, BORN 1942 IN ADDIS ABABA; MARRIED; ATTENDED UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, ADDIS ABABA (DIPLOMA 1965), STUDIED AT THOMSON TELEVISION COLLEGE, ENGLAND (1966/67), HAD ADVANCED TRAINING IN FILM AND TELEVISION TECHNIQUES IN WEST GERMANY, ATTENDED COURSE FOR STAGE MANAGERS AT THE LONDON OPERA CENTER; FOUNDED THE CREATIVE ARTS CENTER AT HSIU; WORKED AS TELEVISION PRODUCER AND SINCE NOVEMBER 1971 AS STAGE MANAGER AND ARTISTIC MANAGER WITH HAILE SELASSIE I THEATER AND PRODUCED MAJOR PLAYS AND PERFORMANCES.
- 3. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS ABATE VERY HIGHLY AND HOPES PLACEMENT COULD BE ARRANGED FOR HIM AT THE YALE SCHOOL OF DRAMA THROUGH ITS DEAN, ROBERT BRUSTEIN. DEPARTMENT MAY RESERVE FUNDING FROM POST'S FY-75 ALLOCATION.

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